

TOWN OF

STONEHAM

MASSACHUSETTS

Town Hall

35 Central Street

Stoneham Conservation Commission 781-279-2696

STONEHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF MEETING January 28, 2020 Hearing Room

7 PM

Attendance: Ellen McBride, Bob Parsons, Alex Rozycki, Domenick Cimina, Norm L'Esperance, Megan Day and Jessica Gerke

PUBLIC HEARING:

11 South Marble

Adrian Poci

The regulation of the flow of water in backyard, in and out of the channel, by replacing the old pipe and extending it along the entire length of the channel.

Notice of Intent Continued until Feb 18, 2020 Motion by Bob Parsons made, seconded by Alex Rozycki 6/0

Rear Hillside Ave.

Jim Juliano

Leah Basbane/Gary Litchfield

Construction of a new single family house with driveway and associated grading in the 100 foot buffer zone. Notice of Intent continued/Request for Determination of Applicability continued. Continued until 2/18/20. Mary Rimmer has looked at property, Gary Litchfield was at site visit. Mary Rimmer submitted report. Discussed with Gary Litchfield about purchasing paper street from Town to move house. Regulatory taking was referenced at site visit. Discussion was had with Attorney Galvin, property was valued at \$2100. Motion made by Alex Rozycki, seconded by Norm L'Esperance, 7/0

DISCUSSION ONLY:

Department of Public Works

Brett Gonsalves

Cemetery repair at Lindenwood. Sweetwater Brook and existing garage. 15 inch drainpipe outlets to the Brook and it rotted out. Pipe three feet deep. May reroute pipe closer to fence line. Will be putting in pvc. Late February timeline. Notice of Intent will be submitted.

Town wide cleanup of Conservation areas for Earth Day suggested

Stream maintenance town wide plan. Education plan necessary.

Greenway maintenance is Town's responsibility. Ellen McBride asks if there is a friend's group for planting. Maintenance is the ongoing issue.

Wetlands Protection Act Regulations

Submit Comments Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions by 1/30/20. Ellen McBride has reviewed.

MWRA Woodland Rd

Either bidder will be adding to an existing foundation, no new disturbance. Will submit RDA, asking if the board approved 2 years ago previous line of the water's edge can be used in plans. Commission says yes.

Community Preservation Act

Megan Day mentions we need to submit to warrant by 2/3/20 to add to ballot in May and then residents would vote in November. Megan Day talks about the timing of high school replacement.

4/2/13 Annual meeting it was last discussed. Megan Day has handouts from last time it was discussed. Select Board signed saying they would support this initiative.

Protection of open space and free money (25% estimated). 176 communities participating in the State. The legislature has signed on. A committee is formed to spend the funds on recommended projects, voted on at Town Meeting. Alex Rozycki mentions adding maintenance rehabilitation for open space for stream restoration. Outreach and education. \$60/year to prevent taxes being raised and it will be matched. Want improved Open Space.

Commission members who are up in 2020 were addressed, Megan Day will be applying for an Associate role. Jessica Gerke can write a letter to the Select Board applying to be assigned as a member of the Conservation Commission.

Approve Meeting Minutes January 7, 2020

Jim Juliano discussed regulatory taking and closing the hearing. Jim Juliano mentioned polling the members as an option and Commission decided that was not appropriate. The Commission encouraged applicant not to close public meeting until he had approvals from Planning Board and Board of Appeals. Add above to minutes for approval at January 28, 2020 meeting.

Next Meetings February 18, 2020 and March 10, 2020

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Alex Rozycki seconded by Norm L'Esperance 7/0